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HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Tentative Agenda

Board of Managers' Meeting
Chevy Chase Village Hall

Tuesday, October 9, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

Note: The full agenda will be available on the Village website by Friday, October 5.

November Appeal Deadline: 10/29 at 5:00 p.m.

Approval of Previous Minutes

Treasurer's Report

Committee Reports

Appeals

29 Primrose Street

Old Business

New Business

Chairman's Report

Manager's Report

Police Report

Building Permits/Code Enforcement

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See the Enclosed Flyers

October 10: Daytime Flu/Pneumonia Clinic

October 10: CPR Class

October 12: Movie Night

October 15: Toddlers Group Fall Kick-Off

October 17: Evening Flu/Pneumonia Clinic

October 26: Annual Halloween Party

Article Deadline for November CRIER: 10/29.

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Board Meeting Date Changes for October & November

The Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers has rescheduled its regular meetings in October and November due to holiday conflicts. The Board's monthly regular meetings will be held on the following dates:

Tuesday, October 9, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 13, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

The December Board meeting will be held as normally scheduled on the second Monday of the month, December 10, 2007.

Building Regulations—Second Phase

During the summer months, nearly half of all Village households responded to the Building Regulations Survey and with the results tabulated in mid-August, Mr. Nore Winter developed his Final Strategy Report. Copies of the report are available on the Village website at ccvillage.org. Mr. Winter attended the September 10 Board of Managers meeting to discuss the report's content with the Board and all residents present.

Identified within the report were several areas where he recommended development of regulatory standards; other areas where he advocated implementing voluntary guidelines and other areas where he assessed no action was called for at this time.

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October 9 Board Meeting—Outdoor Dining Proposal at the Chevy Chase Center

The Montgomery County Park and Planning Commission has received a request from *MaxMara Café* for authorization to create a space in the sculpture park immediately adjacent to its current enclosed dining area for outdoor dining. The sculpture park is located between the two- and three-story retail buildings facing Wisconsin Avenue. The Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers has invited representatives of the Café to attend its October 9 Board meeting to discuss the dining area request. The representatives accepted the invitation and will address any concerns about the change residents may care to present. All residents are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity and attend the October 9 meeting.

Chevy Chase Village Board of Managers' Meeting, 2nd Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m. at the Village Hall
Telephone: 301-654-7300, Fax: 301-907-9721, E-mail: ccv@montgomerycountymd.gov, Website: www.ccvillage.org

In The Village

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Following Mr. Winter's presentation, the Board requested that he develop a proposal for assisting the Board and Village Legal Counsel in the next step – developing standards relevant to each of his recommendations. The Board is to discuss the proposal it receives from Mr. Winter at its October 9 regular meeting. This discussion will take place via video-conference.

Also on the October 9 meeting agenda is discussion and possible Board action on extending the current building moratorium for an additional three months. If approved, expiration of the current moratorium on certain large building projects not subject to Historic Preservation Commission permitting requirements would be shifted from October 31, 2007 to January 31, 2008. This additional time will support the public discussion of potential Building Code additions and also accommodate advance notice requirements for the Montgomery County Council.

Please plan on attending the October 9 Board meeting to participate in the discussion and contribute to the process. The meeting begins at 7:30 p.m.

Autumn Leaves

The Public Works Department's yearly leaf collection effort will soon be underway. Two leaf vacuums will be running as often as needed from October 1st through the first week in December or as long as needed.

Residents planning to rake their leaves into piles are requested to rake them as close to the curb as possible without putting them in the gutter. Should it rain, leaves piled in the gutter will dam the water causing it to pond. Residents are asked not to box in piles of leaves with cars both for easier accessibility for the leaf crews and additional safety for your vehicles.

Residents on Bradley Lane should put their leaves in paper bags and place them at the roadside. Bradley La. is the only area where bagging is required. Sticks and other sharp tree and garden debris should be left loose and placed in separate piles from the leaves. Sharp debris can tear the leaf collection hoses or dull the blades on the leaf machines and repairs to the vacuum machinery can cause delays in the pick up schedule.

Board Actions - September 10, 2007 Board of Managers' Meeting

Minutes: July 9, 2007 Meeting: Approved.

Appeals: A-5282—14 West Irving Street: (a) Removal of one existing gable and replacement with new rotated gable that will encroach 6.1 inches forward of the 25-foot front building restriction line; (b) Remodel and renovate an existing front porch that encroaches 4.9 feet forward of the 25-foot front building restriction line—Approved.

Old Business: Wohlfarth Property—see article on page 3, second column. **Building Regulations Survey Results and Strategy Report Briefing**—see article on cover.

New Business: Chevy Chase Center—Mr. Biddle explained that the *MaxMara Café* had submitted a minor site plan amendment request to the Planning Board for the designation of an 1,100 square foot private dining area in Farr Park, the courtyard located between the two retail buildings on Wisconsin Avenue. Farr Park had originally been designated as an open passive-use park with public dining tables. The Board directed Mr. Biddle to express the Board's concerns to the Park and Planning Commission and to request an opportunity to meet with the applicants to receive additional information regarding the proposal.

This is a synopsis of the Board's actions.

To view an archive of the complete approved minutes from the Board's meetings, please visit the Village website at www.ccvillage.org and click on "The Board of Managers".

Many Hands, Inc. Kick-off Meeting Thursday, October 11 at 7:30 p.m. in the Village Hall

All Village residents are invited to an informational meeting about Many Hands, Inc., a local non-profit founded three years ago by several Village residents. Many Hands brings people together who want to maximize their giving impact to benefit underserved women and children in the DC metro area. Hear about their \$100,000 grant in 2006 to the Young Women's Project in Washington, DC. Find out how you can get involved in Many Hands. Together we can make a difference. Please call Village residents Noni Lindahl at (301) 656-1966 or Sydney Bath at (301) 654-3123 with any questions.

In The Village

“How to Look at Chevy Chase Architecture” is the November 7 Chevy Chase Historical Society Community Lecture Topic

Local residents are invited to hear architectural historian/photographer William Lebovich speak on “How to Look at Chevy Chase Architecture,” the Chevy Chase Historical Society’s Fall Lecture, at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, November 7, at the Chevy Chase Town Hall. The Town Hall is located in the Leland Community Center, 4301 Willow Lane.

Illustrating the lecture with his own prize-winning photography, Lebovich will avoid the typical labeling of houses as one style or another, focusing instead on how architecture reflects the society that built it, and how a building’s massing and detail tell that society’s story.

“Knowing architectural styles is a great shorthand way for talking about a building,” says Lebovich, “but style descriptions seldom convey the complexity and subtlety of most houses. My lecture will attempt to provide more information than is expressed in the usual descriptive terms, ‘Colonial Revival’ or ‘Bungalow.’”

William Lebovich’s 33 years as an architectural historian has included work with the National Park Service’s National Register of Historic Places, Historic American Buildings Survey and Historic American Engineering Record. Since 1989 he has photographed new projects for architects and developers and documented properties of significance throughout the continental United States.

A resident of Martin’s Additions in Chevy Chase, Lebovich reviewed the new Swiss Ambassador’s residence for Architecture Week Magazine in January 2007 (www.architectureweek.com) and authored the 1993 book, “Design for Dignity: Accessible Environments for People with Disabilities.” His architectural photographs are in the Library of Congress, the Brooklyn Museum and have been published in numerous newspapers, magazines and books.

Questions about the November 7 lecture may be directed to Marilyn Montgomery at (301) 656-2295.

Wohlfarth Property Update

Chevy Chase Village extends its condolences to the family of Mildred Rowland. Ms. Rowland passed away recently. She and her long-time spouse, Mr. William Wohlfarth, had been Village neighbors for many years living in an assuming two-story home surrounded by greenspace set well back from Western Avenue, backing up to the Village’s Grove Street and immediately adjacent to the Chevy Chase Center. In 2000, Mr. Wohlfarth, Montgomery County, the House of the Temple Historic Preservation, Chevy Chase Village, Legacy Open Space and Montgomery County Park and Planning worked through a series of agreements for the property to be acquired by Montgomery County and preserved as urban open space upon Mr. Wohlfarth’s passing. Central to these agreements was a commitment by all parties to allow Ms. Rowland to live on in the home beyond Mr. Wohlfarth.

After a prolonged struggle, Ms. Rowland passed away late this summer and her family is taking care of arrangements for the lifetime of possessions and memories contained in the home. Knowing that her passing had put the final steps in motion leading to the property’s annexation to the Village and its preservation as urban greenspace, the Board of Managers invited Ms. Brenda Sandberg of Park and Planning to its September meeting. At the September meeting, Ms. Sandberg and the Board discussed how to proceed with collaborative development of an “operations and use plan” (as Park and Planning calls it) for the property. All agreed that the Village and Montgomery County are committed to respecting the Rowland family’s privacy in this transition period.

The Board of Managers asks that all Village residents respect the family’s privacy as well. While the conversion process to urban open space has necessarily begun, the transfer to public stewardship is not yet complete. In parallel with the family making its own arrangements, the Village Board is interested in hearing ideas from residents on how the nearly two-acre property may best serve the Village community. Please email your thoughts to ccv@montgomerycountymd.gov. At the November 13, 2007 regular meeting, the Board will discuss all the ideas received through these emails.

The Village Hall

Annual Halloween Party

Please join us for our Annual Halloween Party on **Friday, October 26 from 5:30 to 7:00 p.m.** In addition to the annual Costume Contest, there will be pumpkin decorating, a haunted room and a food drive coordinated by the Committee on Children, Youth & Families. This year's party proves to be even better than the last. See the enclosed flyer for additional information and make a point to join us on **October 26!**

Two Flu & Pneumonia Vaccine Clinics

The Village will host its annual flu and pneumonia vaccine clinic twice in the Village Hall this year.

Wednesday, October 10
9:00 a.m. through 2:00 p.m.
and

Wednesday, October 17
2:00 p.m. through 9:00 p.m.

See the enclosed flyer and the Village website for additional information.

Rent the Village Hall For Your Next Event

The Village Hall is the perfect setting for your next meeting or party and is available to all Village residents. Our two large rooms are available for:

- birthday and sweet 16 parties,
- weddings and wedding receptions,
- anniversary and graduation parties,
- bar and bat mitzvah receptions,
- business/organization meetings, and
- any event you can think of! There is even a conference room exclusively used for meetings and a room to hold smaller children's birthday parties.

The Hall is sure to enhance your event. Please contact Doris Lysterly in the Village office for additional information or go to the Village website at ccvillage.org and click on Village Hall.

CPR Class

Wednesday, October 10, 2007
7:00-9:00 p.m. in the Village Hall

\$40 per person. Training materials provided. A two-year certificate issued upon course completion. Adults and children welcome. Minimum 10 students required for class. See the enclosed flyer for details.

Committee on Children, Youth & Families

Have you enjoyed the Parents' Nights Out? Well these Nights are only possible with adult volunteer chaperones. The teens provide the actual babysitting, but adults are needed to chaperone. CYF would like to schedule Parents' Nights Out in November 2007 and January, March and May 2008.

If you would like to volunteer for one (or all) of these months, please contact either CYF co-Chairs Amy Cooper (acbelle@aol.com) or Karen Spangler (kareenspangler@comcast.net), with the Saturdays you would be available. CYF will then schedule the Parents' Nights Out dependant upon YOUR availability. And even better still, CYF will help you with the planning. A little of your time, for a whole lot of fun for the kids.

Thank you in advance for helping out!

Toddlers Play Group Fall Kick-off Monday, October 15 at 9:30 a.m.

The toddlers play group is back for the fall! The play group will meet MONDAY mornings from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Village Hall. There are toys for the kids to play with and a great group of kids, moms, and caregivers who attend. We welcome kids of all ages with most kids being between 1 and 3 1/2.

On Monday, October 15, we will kick off the fall play-group with entertainment from the Great Zucchini for the kids and coffee & bagels for the grown-ups. Please bring either a toy to donate to the group or a package of AA batteries. Also, for those of you whose toddlers have grown up, we would love to "recycle" any toys that your kids have outgrown. You can drop toys off at the Village Hall at any time.

Please contact Kristen Best if you have any questions: cell 202.460.1256 / kristenabest@yahoo.com. We look forward to seeing you!

Building Facilities Commission

The Building Facilities Commission typically meets the second Monday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Village Hall; however, due to the Columbus Day holiday, their next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 9**. All residents are invited to attend.

The Police Beat

To e-mail Police Chief Roy Gordon: roy.gordon@montgomerycountymd.gov

Dog Bites – Even Good Dogs Can Bite

Last month a Village resident was bitten by a dog while jogging with a friend along Kirkside Drive. The victim received a nasty bite on her arm that required treatment. The dog was on a leash, but acted out when it spotted another dog on the opposite side of the street. The jogger did nothing wrong, the dog was on a leash, but unable to be controlled by its owner.

Montgomery County Animal Control laws adopted by the Village prohibit Unwanted Contact: the pet owner must prevent unwelcome or unsolicited threatening physical contact or close proximity to a person or a domestic animal that occurs outside the owner's property that may cause alarm in a reasonable person, such as biting, chasing, tracking, inhibiting movement, or jumping. The fine is \$500.

Montgomery County Animal Control Division investigates animal bites as part of its rabies-control responsibilities and to protect the community from dangerous animals. In this case the dog had all its shots and the owner received a quarantine notice as prescribed by law. In an effort to avoid being bitten by a dog, (includes those walking their dogs) be aware of your surroundings when approaching or passing dog walkers, don't be distracted by talking on your cell phone or listening to music on your I-Pod.

Preventing Dog Bites

Studies have identified several factors associated with dogs involved in bites:

- Dogs that are unaltered (both male and female)
- Dogs that are maintained outside all or most of the time
- Dogs that are chained outside
- Dogs that never received any formal obedience training
- Dogs whose owners play roughly with them, or play aggressive "mouth" games such as tug-of-war.

Reduce the chances of your dog being involved in a biting incident by avoiding these risk factors.

If confronted by a strange dog:

- Do not run away. Stand quietly, hands at your side. Face the dog, but do not look it directly in the eyes. Remain until the dog loses interest or back away slowly and calmly, until you reach safety. Never turn your back on the dog.
- If the dog tries to bite, "feed" him your purse, jacket, backpack or anything else in an effort to protect yourself. If you fall or are knocked to the ground, curl into a ball with your hands over your ears. Remain as still as possible and do not scream or yell.

Remember, any breed of dog may bite. Just because a dog is small or seems friendly doesn't mean it can't or won't do some damage. Even the nicest, most well-trained family dog may snap if it is startled, scared, threatened, agitated, angry or hungry.

Halloween Safety Rules

Halloween is fast approaching, and it's a good time to remember that our children's safety should come first. A parent or responsible adult should always accompany young children on their neighborhood rounds.

Before Trick or Treating, take the following steps:

- Try to give children a good meal to discourage them from trying out Halloween treats while out and before treats can be checked.
- Make sure costumes are flame retardant; also make sure children can see well through masks.
- Agree with children on an appropriate time to complete trick or treating.
- Keep pets confined in the home.
- Drive carefully and slowly.
- Adult partygoers should designate a driver.

While Trick or Treating, youngsters should always be reminded to:

- Use a flashlight to see and be seen by others.
- Stay in a group and let an adult know where they are going.
- Go only to homes with porch lights on.
- Remain on well-lit streets and use the sidewalk.
- Never enter a stranger's home or car for a treat.
- Obey all traffic and pedestrian regulations.
- Always walk (don't run) across a street and look out for cars and drivers.
- Remove any mask or item that will limit eyesight before crossing a street, driveway or alley.
- No treats should be eaten until carefully checked by an adult at home.
- Any suspicious or unlawful activity should be reported to the Communications Center immediately.

After Trick or Treating, once home, a responsible adult should:

- Examine all treats carefully and throw away any spoiled, unwrapped or suspicious items.
- Determine if treats are safe for all age groups and if not, distribute accordingly.

The Village Police Department will have additional officers on duty the evening of Halloween night, Wednesday, October 31. Please report suspicious situations, and inappropriate conduct to the Village Communications Center at (301) 654-7300.

Community News

Citizens Coordinating Committee on Friendship Heights (CCCFH)—Resident Involvement Invited

For years, the CCCFH has served as a credible and potent forum for municipalities like the Village, homeowner associations and citizen groups alike to consolidate their opinions on development issues affecting its member communities and to communicate its concerns directly to the Montgomery County Executive, the County Council and the Planning Board. The CCCFH was instrumental in rallying resident opinion as the Friendship Heights development plans took shape in the mid-1990s.

While development in Friendship Heights is winding down, CCCFH remains active on a myriad of matters and is always looking for new participants. If you are interested in becoming involved, please contact Geoff Biddle, the Village Manager, for additional information.

Chevy Chase Community Library September 2007

The Chevy Chase Library is located at 8005 Connecticut Avenue. All programs are free, but may require a ticket and/or registration. For further information or for reservations, contact the library at (240) 773-9590.

A full listing of library events can be found at:
<http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Content/Libraries/index.asp>.

Chevy Chase Village Listserve Sign-Up Instructions

1. Type *groups.yahoo.com* in your web browser.
2. Click on *Sign Up* in the green box.
3. Complete the form accordingly.
4. After successfully signing in, type *Chevy Chase Village* in the "Find a Yahoo! Group" field, and click SEARCH.
5. Click on *ccvillage*.
6. Click on *Join this Group*.

Congratulations! You are now signed up to use the Village Listserve to post contractor recommendations, offer tickets or items for sale, spread the word on upcoming yard or bake sales and any other topic residents wish

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to discuss.

To post a new message, type *groups.yahoo.com* in your web browser, sign-in using your Yahoo! ID and password, click on *ccvillage* on the left-hand of the screen and click on *Post* again on the left-hand side of the screen and type your message.

Listserve have become quite popular as convenient tools for sharing information. All residents are encouraged to enroll in this service.

Ellen's Run Sunday, October 7, 2007, 5K Run/Walk, Kids' Fun Run & Brunch

Once again, Ellen's Run is being held to remember our dear friend and neighbor Ellen Vala Schneider, whose involvement in our community touched and inspired so many. Proceeds from the race will benefit the Bethesda-Chevy Chase High School Community Scholarship Fund and the Mental Health Association of Montgomery County. Over 600 individuals participated in the first Ellen's Run, LAST FALL. We hope that you will be able to join us again this year and bring your family, friends and neighbors. The race will begin at 9:00 a.m. at Candy Cane City. Dogs on leashes are welcome.

Be a Sponsor. We are currently seeking sponsors for the event. There are opportunities for businesses and for friends and family members to support the event this year. Email Liz Appelbaum at pliz@verizon.net or Carole Brand at csbrand@verizon.net to become a sponsor or donor. Volunteer. Volunteers are always welcome to help with planning and at the actual event. Please contact Pam Feinstein at feinstein@aol.com or (301) 907-8223 if you are interested in helping now or on October 7.

More Information. Learn more about the race at www.ellensrunonline.org. Registration forms are available online. If you would like a form mailed to you, please contact Pam Feinstein at feinstein@aol.com or (301) 907-8223.

**Rent the Village Hall
for your next event!**

Public Works Department/Trash Schedule

Resident input regarding the contracted services for trash and recycling collection is an important factor during the evaluation of these services. Please report missed services to the Communications Center. Please leave your gates unlocked to allow access to your refuse.

Special pickups of bulk items are collected on Wednesdays. Requests must be submitted either by phone or via the Village website by 2:00 p.m. on the preceding Tuesday to ensure collection.

Cardboard Box Collection

Flattened boxes that are approximately less than the size of a 13" television set, should be placed with your paper recycling. Five or more flattened boxes should be bundled when left for recycling. Please notify the Communications Center if they are not collected.

If you have a large amount or large-sized boxes, please request a Special Pick Up (SPU, see above article) to ensure collection. Cardboard boxes collected by SPU, are placed in the paper compactor located in the Public Works Yard and are recycled.

Building Permits Issued by the Village Manager September 2007

16 West Irving St.....Replace driveway
3 Newlands St.....Construct new fence in rear yard
135 Hesketh St.....Replace side yard fence
4027 Oliver St.....Replace fence along rear property line
5505 Center St.....Remove porch, construct addition, renovate
10 E. Kirke St.....Replace a/c unit and air handler
5507 Center St.....Replace driveway
17 Primrose St.....Repair and maintenance of flagstone patio
10 W. Kirke St.....Replace fence in rear yard
5501 Montgomery St.....Add portico over front door, screen patio
5700 Kirkside Dr.....Demolish attached garage
4100 Oliver St.....Replace fence and gate
5511 Center St.....Spread gravel in rear yard
25 W. Kirke St.....Reconfigure and replace front walkway, stoop

MVA on Wheels

The Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration's mobile service will visit the Friendship Heights Village Center on Monday, October 29 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

For further information, go on the MVA website at: www.mva.state.md.us/location/montcty.htm or call the MVA at (800) 950-1682, ext. 2.

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